

## Letter of Condolence

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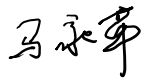
Dear Mrs. Lewandowski, Friends and Colleagues of Mr. Lewandowski,

Upon learning of the unfortunate passing of Mr. Jerzy Lewandowski, me and my colleagues in the Center for Relativity and Gravitation at Beijing Normal University are deeply saddened. I am writing now on behalf of myself and my colleagues to express our deep sympathy. Mr. Lewandowski has made significant contributions to the development and talent cultivation of theoretical physics in Poland, China and the World. He has made significant contributions to the fields of general relativity and quantum gravity, and established a widely influential research group at University of Warsaw. He is a great scientist and one of the founders of the frontier theory of loop quantum gravity. His passing is a significant loss for the theoretical physics community in our World.

I know Mr. Lewandowski for many years and always thought him as a personal friend. He is wise, humorous, kind and honest. It is really a pleasure of doing research and getting along with him. He visited Beijing for quite a few times and established deep friendships with my families and many colleagues in Beijing Normal University. We deeply mourn the passing of Mr. Lewandowski. We will miss him forever.

Please accept our deepest sympathy and bring our best wishes to the families of Mr. Lewandowski.

Yours sincerely,  
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Prof. Dr. Gerhard Huisken, Oberwolfach Research Institute for Mathematics

Dear Maciej,

It is with shock and great sadness that I read this news.

I know Jurek since my time at the Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics as a wonderful colleague. I very much enjoyed his hospitality when he invited me to Warsaw many years ago and admired his broad knowledge covering both Theoretical Physics and Mathematics. What a loss for the community and his family.

Thank you and your colleagues for going ahead with the workshop in Bedlewo starting Monday - Jurek was enthusiastic about the idea and it would certainly be his wish that this opportunity for the young people can take place.

With great sadness and kind memories

Gerhard

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Dear members of ISLQG,

it is with great sadness that we have to communicate to you that Jerzy Lewandowski (University of Warsaw) died last night, after a short but intense illness. Our community owes him so much, both scientifically and personally. He will be painfully missed. Our thoughts are with his wife, his son and his family.

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